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THURINGIA, WHERE U. S. JAZZ IS BANNED

Negro Melodies Also Officially Prohibited.

Washington. — American tourists probably will hear little music from their homeland this summer when visiting Thuringia. The prime minister has issued a proclamation prohibiting jazz music and negro songs in fashionable cafes and other public places.

A bulletin from the National Geographic society deals with the little republic of central Germany.

"Thuringia is well termed the 'Green Center of Germany,'" says the bulletin. "It brings a breath of medieval times with its romantic and legend-encrusted castles, its wealth of musical atmosphere, and its great mountains and splendid forests extending for miles and miles."

"Gothic villages drowse within its boundaries and dream of the past. Even the cities seem to sleep, and silence pervades the rural districts, where everything is quiet except for the little goose girl who drives her flock as she saunters out into a century too advanced for her surroundings."

Population Mainly Teutonic.

"The population of well over 1,500,000 is mainly Teutonic and includes a smattering of the Wendish and Slavonic element. Larger cities of the republic are Gera, Jena, Gotha, Eisenach and Utenberg."

"Germany and music festivals are synonymous. Perfection in music is sought in the event of a simple folk jubilee in a hamlet, or in a lavish exhibition in an ultra-modern theater in one of Germany's capitals. The republic of Thuringia mothered such musical artists as Handel, Wagner, Bach and Liszt at different periods of their lives and almost every city of the province has its memorial to music. Wagner glorified Wartburg in his 'Tannhauser.' The home of Bach in the town of Eisenach contains an interesting museum. The little residence of the grand duke of Meiningen is famous through the music of its orchestra. The musical interest in Kassel has centered about Louis Spohler; and Göttingen, the famous university town, pays homage to Handel by its festival plays every summer."

"Thuringia claims fame also as the home of the poet, Goethe. It is rich in Goethe recollections. The visitor is reminded that the modest place on the opposite side of the street is the home of Goethe, that the park he is passing is the most beautiful monument to the artist's genius and that the open air theater is of interest because of its use in Goethe's day."

Where Constitution Was Born.

"Weimar, the republic's capital city and the birth place of Germany's new constitution following the World war, retains many of its medieval characteristics. Surviving are narrow winding streets, houses with high pitched gables and remnants of the grand old palace with its towers. The palace was erected under the superintendence of Goethe and dedication of one of the wings has been made. Schiller, Herder and Weiland, noted German writers."

"A motor ride through the republic discloses pleasing and pastoral landscape, sometimes flat and fertile and sometimes hilly, often clothed in dense woods but always charming."

"Historic Erfurt lies between the interesting old cities of Gotha and Weimar, in easy reach of the Harz river on one side and Thuringian forest on the other. It plays a dual role by being picturesque, historically memorable, silently in tune with its sister cities and yet economically important and a railroad junction. It was Luther's home in his days as a monk, from 1505 to 1508. Erfurt's skyline is dominated by fine medieval architecture and is the home of the celebrated bell, Maria Gloriosa, cast in 1497, which weighs 27,000 pounds."

"Gera is situated on the banks of the White Elster and is the home of a large university where young Thuringians prepare to carry on its famous textile industries. Ringing true to the peacefulness of the republic is Jena, a university town on the banks of the Saale. It maintains its medieval market square, the older buildings of which blend well with the inevitable newer buildings."

Bell Ringer Pensioned; Replaced by Electricity

Stockholm.—Sweden's last woman ringer of church bells, Auguste Anderson, who for 35 years has pulled the ropes in the tower of the old Katarina church here, has been pensioned and electric machinery will now be installed.

Since 1895 Miss Anderson has attended to the tolling of the bells and only been absent once, two years ago, on account of illness. The first ten years it was her duty to toll the bells on Sundays only, but later she became head bell ringer, with nine other women to assist her.

The church has four bells, the largest of which needs six persons to swing it. The bells are rung every day at eight in the morning and at five in the afternoon.

Active as Lumberjack at 99

Hastings, Mich.—Alexander Mayville, ninety-nine, still is following his favorite trade, that of a lumberjack. For the last ten years he has resided at Irving, near here, and has cut wood on near-by farms. He uses eye-glasses only in fine work, such as reading and filing saws. He walks a mile every day to continue his trade.

JARDINE ENVOY TO EGYPT



William M. Jardine.

Washington.—William M. Jardine of Manhattan, Kan., President Coolidge's secretary of agriculture, will be made the American minister to Egypt. It was learned at the White House.

An expert agronomist, Mr. Jardine was a lecturer and author on agriculture, and from 1918 to 1925 was president of the Kansas State Agricultural college. President Coolidge appointed him to his cabinet March 4, 1925. Born in Utah 61 years ago, Mr. Jardine was connected with the agricultural colleges of the state and Michigan before he became president of the Kansas institution.

DRY LAW COST FOUR MILLION MORE IN '29

Association Against Prohibition Filed Report.

Washington.—Prohibition cost Uncle Sam's taxpayers \$4,000,000 more for enforcement last year than in 1928, the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment announced a few days ago.

The report said: "Prohibition costs terminated in the federal courts have risen in this year from 40,748 to 56,455, thereby considerably increasing the prohibition expenses of the Department of Justice, which are estimated at \$13,000,000 for the last year."

"Recorded expenditures of the prohibition unit amounting to \$12,729,140, and \$15,110,530 spent by the coast guard in this one year, with approximately \$5,000,000 representing the part played by the customs service, are included in the 1929 prohibition enforcement costs, from which \$74,497 collected in fines is deducted. The increase in last year's bill for prohibition enforcement is \$4,062,725 over this cost in the previous year."

"Due to increase in population, the carefully estimated loss of federal revenue in 1929 is now placed at \$905,507,627, some \$20,000,000 over the sum arrived at for 1928. No estimate of increase in the loss of state, city and county revenues has been made."

"Last year's total loss due to prohibition to everybody in this country is \$959,572,378, after adding to enforcement costs the lost revenue to federal, state and local treasuries."

"The research department of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment is preparing to compute the people's bill for prohibition during the present year, as official figures are made available."

Customs Agents Called East to Halt Rum Flow

Washington.—All available customs agents in the Florida and Detroit areas have been ordered to the New York, Vermont and Maine border to combat a rapidly increasing flow of overland smuggled liquor from Canada. It was disclosed at the treasury.

The increase in rum smuggling in the eastern area followed closely. It was said, the passage of the Canadian export law banning the export of liquor to the United States.

Farmers Told to Feed Cheap Wheat to Cattle

East Lansing, Mich.—Agricultural experts at Michigan State college offer a new form of farm relief to the who are worrying about the price of wheat.

Feed it to live stock, says a statement issued by four department heads. At present prices wheat is worth \$5 more a ton, as a dairy feed than as a commercial cereal, the experts assert.

Tainted Meat Kills Three

Detroit.—Three children are dead and six persons are ill as the result of tainted meat eaten in a home here.

Texas Population 5,810,683

Dallas, Texas.—A compilation of figures released by census supervisors, completed by the Associated Press, shows that the 1930 population of Texas is 5,810,683, an increase in the last decade of 1,147,465, or 24.62 per cent.

Philippine Legislature Convenes

Manila.—The Philippine legislature convened a few days ago with a program including road construction, education and revision of the penal code.

Only a Pillow Fight, But It Ended in Riot

Kelso, Wash.—It was just a pillow fight—but, oh my, it put two loggers hors de combat.

Five more men asked for first aid and a score took to the timber and hiked seventeen miles to town rather than return to the battle. Ten bunkhouses were overturned by the playful loggers, it was reported.

This briefly summarizes the annual featherweight scrimmage of the logging camp at Mulholland Dam on Cowlitz river.

MAN IS KILLED; ARREST SWEETIE

Dying Words Give Police Their Only Clue.

Burlington, N. C.—Old sweethearts met on a dark downtown street near a red brick schoolhouse and as a result L. J. Jordan, twenty-five, is dead and Miss Nesbit Hanford, a stenographer, is being held in custody on a charge of murder.

All that police know is what the mortally wounded Jordan stammered out between gasps for breath. The girl shielded her silence with choked sobs.

Jordan and the girl met at the designated point. They quarreled over Jordan's approaching marriage to another woman. When a pistol shot attracted people to the scene Jordan was found lying on the sidewalk, a pistol wound in his body and a revolver clutched in his hand, while the girl crouched beside him.

Jordan told the police that the girl "killed me," and that he had taken the pistol away from her after she had fired. He said they were old sweethearts.

Jordan was taken to a hospital, where he died half an hour later. The girl, an expectant mother, is under guard at the Raleigh hospital, threatened with a serious illness. She was injured by a fall in her scuffle with Jordan.

Police claim that the girl arranged a secret meeting with Jordan at the schoolhouse for the purpose of killing him. Miss Hanford asserts that Jordan is the father of her unborn child. He promised to marry her, she declares.

Eye-witnesses saw the couple come from behind the schoolhouse after the shooting. The girl, they said, was holding Jordan, who staggered nearly to the street and fell. When police arrived the girl was holding his head. Jordan said before his death that he took the gun away from her "to keep her from shooting me any more."

The fatal shot ignited his clothing and burned the flesh about the wound.

Surgeon Is Fined for Overwork in Operation

Berlin.—Dr. Ernst Nirsche of Nuremberg, while performing an operation on a young woman, decided in the midst of his task that it was advisable at the same time to remove the appendix.

The woman was indignant when she learned what had been done without her consent. She instituted proceedings, and the surgeon has been fined \$250, with the alternative of 20 days' imprisonment.

An expert declared the removal of the appendix was indicated, but was not absolutely necessary. So the court ruled that the doctor had been guilty of a technical "assault." The decision is adversely commented upon, because of the obvious impossibility of a surgeon stopping in the middle of a serious operation to ask the patient how much farther he may proceed.

"Dead Man" Is Caught Trying to Rob House

Halle, Germany.—A "corpse" that set out on a thieving expedition was caught redhanded by the Halle police. Georg Bing, a Frankfurt citizen, insured his life for \$5,000. Then he rented a boat and went on a trip with a friend on the river Main. He never came back. His friend returned alone, telling all about the storm and the capsizing of the boat. Bing's mourning widow claimed the \$5,000 and got it.

All might have gone well but for Bing's money-grabbing disposition. In a need of contenting himself with making good dough as a dead man he took himself to Halle and was caught in a burglary. The thing "corpse" and "widow" and friend are now awaiting trial for fraud.

Broken Legs Prevent Escape of 2 Fugitives

Ardmore, Okla.—Deputy Sheriff Dwight Bell and Monroe Gunter were pursuing an automobile they suspected was being used for transporting liquor. When the machine failed to stop they fired at the tires.

The car's occupants, later identified by officers as M. T. Meeks and M. J. Watson, started running across a plowed field, with Bell and Gunter in pursuit.

Suddenly Meeks fell to the ground groaning, "I've broken my leg."

His companion advanced only three steps further when he, too, fell. "So have I," he shouted.

Hospital records verify the story.

93 CITIES OVERSTEP 100,000 POPULATION

25 Have Been Added to List Since Last Census.

Washington.—An upward leap of population that has carried 25 additional cities over the 100,000 mark, making a total of 93 American cities of this class, was shown by complete Associated Press census compilations for the larger municipalities.

A careful count of the inhabitants of these cities has reached a total of 38,393,221, or more than one-quarter of the nation's estimated population.

In five cities alone more than 15,000,000 persons were shown to dwell. Led by New York, with its nearly 7,000,000 inhabitants, the four other cities in the million class in order of their size are Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit and Los Angeles.

The California metropolis is the newcomer to the "largest cities," having jumped from tenth place in the list by virtue of an increase of 113,500 percent over the 1920 census.

The complete tabulation of the nation's largest cities and their increase since 1920 follows:

City	Pop. 1920	In. Rating
1. New York	6,935,792	24.9
2. Chicago	2,717,752	24.8
3. Philadelphia	2,101,458	24.7
4. Detroit	1,564,297	24.6
5. Los Angeles	1,121,739	24.5
6. Cleveland	911,484	24.4
7. St. Louis	822,025	24.3
8. Baltimore	801,741	24.2
9. Boston	725,451	24.1
10. Pittsburgh	595,431	24.0
11. San Francisco	525,974	23.9
12. Buffalo	521,912	23.8
13. Milwaukee	488,962	23.7
14. St. Paul	472,124	23.6
15. Minneapolis	464,674	23.5
16. New Orleans	452,129	23.4
17. Cincinnati	442,170	23.3
18. Newark	414,770	23.2
19. Kansas City, Mo.	392,640	23.1
20. Indianapolis, Ind.	381,074	23.0
21. Seattle, Wash.	371,234	22.9
22. Atlanta, Ga.	367,994	22.8
23. Rochester, N. Y.	355,019	22.7
24. Jersey City, N. J.	348,914	22.6
25. Louisville, Ky.	325,982	22.5
26. Portland, Ore.	302,122	22.4
27. Toledo, Ohio	297,787	22.3
28. San Antonio, Texas	292,428	22.2
29. Columbus, Ohio	289,058	22.1
30. Denver, Colo.	287,644	22.0
31. Oakland, Calif.	284,214	21.9
32. Dayton, Ohio	281,214	21.8
33. Dallas, Texas	280,297	21.7
34. Birmingham, Ala.	277,657	21.6
35. Akron, Ohio	265,252	21.5
36. San Antonio, Texas	264,922	21.4
37. Memphis, Tenn.	262,049	21.3
38. Providence, R. I.	261,029	21.2
39. Bridgeport, Conn.	257,175	21.1
40. Syracuse, N. Y.	256,227	21.0
41. Dayton, Ohio	256,227	20.9
42. Worcester, Mass.	256,227	20.8
43. Richmond, Va.	256,227	20.7
44. Oklahoma City, Okla.	256,227	20.6
45. Youngstown, Ohio	256,227	20.5
46. Grand Rapids, Mich.	256,227	20.4
47. Hartford, Conn.	256,227	20.3
48. New Haven, Conn.	256,227	20.2
49. Fort Worth, Texas	256,227	20.1
50. Portland, Me.	256,227	20.0
51. Nashville, Tenn.	256,227	19.9
52. Springfield, Mass.	256,227	19.8
53. San Diego, Calif.	256,227	19.7
54. Peoria, Ill.	256,227	19.6
55. Scranton, Pa.	256,227	19.5
56. Des Moines, Iowa	256,227	19.4
57. Evansville, Ind.	256,227	19.3
58. Tulsa, Okla.	256,227	19.2
59. Salt Lake, Utah	256,227	19.1
60. Patterson, N. J.	256,227	19.0
61. Yonkers, N. Y.	256,227	18.9
62. Jacksonville, Fla.	256,227	18.8
63. Norfolk, Va.	256,227	18.7
64. Albany, N. Y.	256,227	18.6
65. Trenton, N. J.	256,227	18.5
66. Kansas City, Kan.	256,227	18.4
67. Chattanooga, Tenn.	256,227	18.3
68. Portland, Ore.	256,227	18.2
69. Erie, Pa.	256,227	18.1
70. Spokane, Wash.	256,227	18.0
71. Fort Wayne, Ind.	256,227	17.9
72. Elizabeth, N. J.	256,227	17.8
73. Fall River, Mass.	256,227	17.7
74. Cambridge, Mass.	256,227	17.6
75. New Bedford, Mass.	256,227	17.5
76. Reading, Pa.	256,227	17.4
77. Miami, Fla.	256,227	17.3
78. Wichita, Kan.	256,227	17.2
79. Knoxville, Tenn.	256,227	17.1
80. Canton, Ohio	256,227	17.0
81. Wilmington, Del.	256,227	16.9
82. Utica, N. Y.	256,227	16.8
83. South Bend, Ind.	256,227	16.7
84. Somerville, Mass.	256,227	16.6
85. Evansville, Ind.	256,227	16.5
86. Utica, N. Y.	256,227	16.4
87. Lynn, Mass.	256,227	16.3
88. El Paso, Texas	256,227	16.2
89. Duluth, Minn.	256,227	16.1
90. Dayton, Ohio	256,227	16.0
91. Tampa, Fla.	256,227	15.9
92. Lowell, Mass.	256,227	15.8
93. Worcester, Mass.	256,227	15.7

Al Singer Knocks Out Mandell, Takes Crown

New York.—Al Singer, of New York, knocked out Sammy Mandell, of Rockford, Ill., in the first round at the Yankee stadium and thereby acquired the lightweight championship of the world. Singer, a New York boy of about three years' professional experience, won the title by a knockout attack that spilled Mandell on the floor four times, and finally left him sprawling flat on his back, his mouth agape, his eyes glazed and staring wide open into the blinding glow of the ring lights.

Noted Actor Dies in Hollywood

Hollywood, Calif.—Rudolph Schildkraut, 65, a great actor two decades ago in Jewish theaters of Europe and later a celebrity in biblical pictures of the screen, died here from a heart attack.

Kills Millionaire in Courtroom

Los Angeles, Calif.—Mortley H. Flint, millionaire film financier, politician and former postmaster of Los Angeles, was shot to death in the courtroom of Superior Judge Frank C. Collier by Frank D. Keaton.

Mexico Boosts Duty on Wheat

Mexico City.—Mexican tariff increases on wheat and other farm produce imports have been announced in the official gazette and will become effective within thirty days.

A Moral Victory

Olympia, Wash.—It cost Mrs. Robert Davies of Buedo \$58 to attempt to collect \$5.50 from Joe De Lisle, "Chelatis," in a suit. De Lisle won judgment for \$58 costs and attorney's fees against Mrs. Davies.

Rock Rips Big Hole in Prison Gardens

Canon City, Col.—One hundred and fifty tons of rock tore a hole six feet deep and one hundred feet long in the terrace gardens of the state penitentiary.

No one was hurt when the rock fell, although several persons were standing nearby.

MYSTERY OF SEA MAY BE SOLVED

Wreck May Be Vessel Lost 21 Years Ago.

Capetown.—It is possible that the mystery of the lost steamship Waratah, missing more than 20 years, has been solved at last.

Air pilots have declared that two miles off Liddie, near the South African port of East London, a great ledge of rock runs out under the sea and on it lies a wrecked ship. It is plainly visible on calm days when the sunlight strikes the water at a certain angle.

The Waratah, a steamer of 10,000 tons, was on a voyage from Sydney to London with 400 passengers and crew. She left Durban on July 20, 1909, for Capetown, and on the following day was in company with the steamer Clan MacIntyre.

But she never reached Capetown, and from that day to this no trace of her has been found.

Many stories of floating bodies and wreckage seen by crews of ships off East London were current for months, and in December, 1911, a life boat with the name Waratah on it was washed up on the west coast of New Zealand.

Many people advanced strange reasons for her disappearance, which was even said to be due to some supernatural agency, but it is generally thought that she capsized during a violent storm.

Pretty German Woman's Charms Fatal to Men

Berlin.—"Every man who gets into my hands is lost," said Irma Bruns, a beautiful and clever woman, aged thirty-two, in the court at Heidelberg, where she was being tried on various charges of fraud.

There was a touch of sadness and a touch of pride in her voice as she made this statement, and as four of her six successive husbands—an author, a professor, a major and a captain—committed suicide, she certainly had grounds for believing that her charms were fatal.

Irma Bruns' father was the well known German painter, Professor Heffner. She ran away from his house at Milan at the age of fourteen and her first love affair was with an Englishman. He wanted the girl to marry him, but she grew tired of him and at the age of sixteen she ran away and lived a life of adventure in fashion, the clubs, boarding houses and in the meeting places of international thieves.

Her last associate has been a man called Hans Leggefied, whom she appears to have completely dominated and whom she induced to steal jewels for her in Munich, Stuttgart and Heidelberg.

She was sent to prison for eight months.

Legge Says Southwest Acree Reduction Sure

St. Paul.—Reduction of southwestern wheat production has been pledged and assures the success of the program of the farm board's chairman, Alexander Legge, declared here the past week. He said that market conditions and the pleas of agricultural leaders insure a curtailment in the Southwest. Oklahoma and Kansas, in spite of the opposition of Governor Reed of the latter state, are supporting the farm board, Mr. Legge said. He added that the board does not contemplate purchase of more wheat for the purpose of stabilization.

Shoe's White Wolf as He Dines on Fresh Kill

Stanford, Mont.—Just before his instinct to kill cost him the famous white wolf of the Little Belt died recently on a calf, according to A. E. Cline, rancher, whose rifle ended the career of the snow-white range killer.

Annoyed by snapping of Cline's fox terrier and shepherd dogs, the white wolf suddenly whirled from his feast and gave chase. The dogs fled to their master, with the killer close at their heels. When Cline saw the wolf he took aim and fired twice.

His shooting eye was better than a day four years ago when he managed to wound the wolf. This time the bullet entered the wolf's head while the other pierced the neck. The beast dropped dead, ending one of the most notorious animal-killing careers in the history of Montana.

"My Time Has Come," Says Pastor; Dies in Pulpit

Danville, Va.—An avowedist congregation of Primitive Baptists heard Rev. A. W. Filchum inform them from the pulpit in the course of a sermon that he felt that "my time has come" whereupon he subsided and died within a few seconds. The minister was preaching at Mass-Edon's church, near Wentworth, N. C. On reaching the pulpit the minister complained of feeling ill and paused for a few minutes. Then he resumed his sermon and proceeded to say farewell to his congregation. A doctor was called, but it was too late, as the minister had died of a heart attack. He had lived at Spray, N. C., for 30 years, and was widely known in that section.

Tunnel Gas Explosion Kills 12; 21 Trapped

Camp Mitchell, Calif.—Twelve men were killed and two were injured in an explosion of natural gas in the east drift of the Mitchell ravine shaft, a unit of the San Francisco Hetch-Hetchy water project, forty miles southeast of San Francisco.

Twenty-one others were trapped in the far end of the tunnel, but fought through gas fumes to the hoist and were rescued.

This was the second fatal gas explosion within six weeks. The other killed seven and seriously injured one.

Measles Spreads to Hundreds

Estol, Portugal.—An epidemic of measles claiming hundreds of infantile victims has broken out here.